Dr. Cohen, 72, Dies; Famed As Engineer

Dr. Louis Cohen, 72, consulting engineer and pioneer inventor in the field of radio, died yesterday at Garfield Hospital following a heart attack two weeks ago.

An international figure in engineering, he was teacher and author of many scientific articles and books.

Dr. Cohen was born in Kiev, Russia, but attended schools in this country, including the Armour Institute of Technology, the University of Chicago and Columbia University, where he received his doctor's degree in 1905.

Scientific Career

He served on the scientific staff of the Bureau of Standards here for the next four years, then spent three years with the Electric Signaling Co. Joining the faculty of George Washington University in 1916, he served for 13 years as a professor of electrical engineering there. He also was a lecturer at the Bureau of Standards for many years.

In 1921, Dr. Cohen joined the War Department as a consulting engineer. The next year he was sent as a delegate on the Provisional Technical Committee, International Conference on Electric Communication in Paris. During 1921-22 he was a member of the advisory technical board of the Conference on Limitation of Armaments in Washington. As a technical expert, he was a member of the German-Austrian Claims Commission in 1929-31.

Dr. Cohen was a fellow of the American Association for Advancement of Science, and a member of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers, the American Institute of Radio Engineers and the American Physical Society.

At the time of his death, he lived with his wife, Mrs. Ethel Slavin Cohen, at the Hotel 2400.

Besides his wife, he is survived by his daughter, Mrs. Louis Sissman, and two grandchildren, of Washington; two brothers, Bernhard Kagen and Howard Kagen, and two sisters, Mrs. Sarah Rolde and Mrs. Hattie Turoff, all of Chicago.

Funeral services and burial will be private.